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Dear Sir:

In accordance with applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, we are enclosing form PTO-1449 listing information that may be material to the patentability of this application.

37 C.F.R. 1.98 does not require a copy of U.S. patents or published U.S. patent applications to be included with an information disclosure statement. Accordingly, Applicant is not including a copy of any U.S. patent or published U.S. patent application.

We are also enclosing copies of the non-US references listed on the attached PTO-1449. Copies of available English abstracts of the aforementioned patents, patent applications and articles are enclosed herewith.

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Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the application, no petition or fee is required.

Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration and that this application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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